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ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1942.

To the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit the Annual Report for the year 1942. The report itself is abbreviated and retains only the essential features and such figures as may be necessary for purposes of record and comparison, this method being adopted at the present time with a view to economy both in paper and expense.

I am,  
Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,  
Your obedient Servant,

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(Acting) Medical Officer of Health.







ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH  
FOR THE YEAR 1942.

Area (in acres) - 2651. (Including 96 acres of water)  
Population - 4,830. Number of inhabited houses - 1,375.  
Rateable Value - £25,952.  
Sum represented by a penny rate - £108.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Births.

	Males.	Females.	TOTAL.
Legitimate	38	42	80
Illegitimate	3	4	7
TOTAL	41	46	87

Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age.

	Males.	Females.	TOTAL.
Legitimate	4	3	7
Illegitimate	-	-	-

Infantile Death Rate per 1,000 live births - 80.0.

Deaths (All Ages).

Nett Number - 74 (Males 38, Females 36)  
Death Rate per 1,000 population - 15.3

15 deaths were transferred in and 25 out to their own districts. Of these were two non-civilians.







Causes of death were certified from the following:-

Disease	Sex		Disease	Sex	
	M.	F.		M.	F.
Tuberculosis (Respiratory)	1	-	Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	2	-
Cancer (Bucc and (Uterus	-	2	Other Digestive Diseases	1	1
(Stomach and (Duodenum	2	1	Nephritis	1	-
(Breast	-	1	Puerperal Sepsis	-	1
(Other Sites	6	1	Post Abort and Premature Birth	2	-
Diabetes	-	2	Congenital Malformation	1	-
Intracranial lesions	1	3	Road Traffic Accident	1	-
Heart Disease	8	8	Other Violent Deaths	1	-
Bronchitis	1	2	All other causes	7	12
Pneumonia	3	2	TOTAL	38	36
Syphilis	-	1			

#### Infectious Diseases Notified.


Scarlet Fever.....13
Diphtheria.....3
Measles.....18
Whooping Cough.....1

Age Groups in which Diphtheria, Scarlet Fever, Measles, and  
Whooping Cough were notified.

Disease	Total	Under 5 years of age.	5 to 15 years	15 to 25 years	25 and upwards
Scarlet Fever	13	3	7	2	1
Diphtheria	3	1	1	1	-
Measles	18	3	15	-	-
Whooping Cough	1	1	-	-	-

Number of persons removed to Isolation Hospital - 14.





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# Tuberculosis Notified.

Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		TOTAL
M.	F.	M.	F.	
4	3	1	8	8

Number of cases on the Register at the end of the year 1942.

Pulmonary		Total	Non-Pulmonary		Total	TOTAL
M.	F.		M.	F.		
22	8	30	7	3	10	40

Immunisation against Diphtheria at the end of the year 1942.

	Under 5 years of age	5 and under 15 years of age
No. of children known to be immunised at the age groups	140	562
Per centage immunised on the 31st December 1942	32.9%	60.0%

Rates for England and Wales, County of Gloucestershire and Tewkesbury

	England and Wales	County of Gloucestershire	Borough of Tewkesbury
Birth Rate	15.8	18.1	18.0
Death Rate	11.6	11.8	15.3
Infantile Mortality Rate.	49	39	60

## Tewkesbury Isolation Hospital.

This Hospital was re-opened on 20th August, 1942, having been closed for some years.

The number of patients admitted from that date to the end of the year was 61, and classified are the diseases and number of patients suffering from each disease with sex given below.

	M.	F.	TOTAL
Scarlet Fever	9	15	24
Diphtheria	-	7	7
Whooping Cough	1	2	3
Scabies	13	14	27
			61

Districts from which cases were admitted.

Gloucester Rural District.....16  
Newent Rural District.....24  
Tewkesbury Borough.....12  
Cheltenham Rural District.....8  
Military.....1







# THE REPORT OF THE SANITARY INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR 1942.

## I. INSPECTION OF DWELLING HOUSES DURING 1942.

1(a)	Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts).....	40
(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose.....	62
2(a)	Number of dwelling houses (included under sub-head 1 above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations 1925.....	0
(b)	Number of inspections made for the purpose.....	0
3.	Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation.....	0
4.	Number of dwelling houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceeding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation.....	35

## II. REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES.

Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by Local Authority or their Officers.....	24
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## III. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING YEAR.

A.	Proceedings under sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936.....	0
(i)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs.....	0
(ii)	Number of dwelling houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:-	
(a)	By Owners.....	0
(b)	By Local Authority in default of owners.....	0
B.	Proceedings under Public Health Acts:-	
(i)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied.....	7
(ii)	Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:-	
(a)	By Owners.....	4
(b)	By Local Authority in default of owners.....	0
C.	Proceedings under sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Acts, 1936:-	
(i)	Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made.....	0
(ii)	Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders.....	0
D.	Proceedings under section 12 of the Housing Act 1936:-	
(i)	Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made.....	0
(ii)	Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenements or rooms having been rendered fit.....	0







#### HOUSING ACT 1936 - OVERCROWDING.

During the year informal action was taken in two instances to abate overcrowding. One of these was complied with.

Overcrowding is very prevalent in this district, but owing to the shortage of housing accommodation it is impossible to remedy the matter.

#### MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) ORDER 1936.

Three supplementary licences to sell milk have been renewed, one for pasteurised and the other two for an accredited supply.

#### WATER SUPPLY.

Four samples of well water were found to be unsatisfactory, and Statutory Notices were served on the owners to provide a proper water supply. By the end of the year one of these premises had been connected to the town's supply and in the other three instances negotiations were still pending.

#### FOOD INSPECTION.

Various articles of food were inspected and when unsound were voluntarily surrendered by the owners and destroyed.



